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LOCAL OPTION DESTROYED BY

League's New Plan Kills Real Principle of Old Law.

PUTS POWER IN HANDS OF FEW

Members of General Assembly

argued that to make State wide option local option on a larger scale, the bill should be so framed as to permit a vote only on petition of one-fourth of the qualified electors from each congressional district. In other words, those who studied the situation reasoned that the demand thould be qually distributed—that no planket law should be passed whice

ecalled. The Legislature of that passed a law for a State-wide when more than 90 per cent, or

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Even if the Legislature of Virignia should pass the enabling act, there is no intimation as to when an election is to be held, should one-fourth of the qualified electors request it. Nor is there any definite understanding as to how these petitioners are to be distributed, and then, again, if everything should go well, the election might not be ordered until the executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League should deem it expedient.

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Some members of the Legislature took the ground that this would mean that a sword would always be hanging over the head of the people, that if the minority should ask an election they might not get it. The executive committee would be the storm centre, the court, jury, sherin and executioner, with authority to delay the fatal day until it deemed conditions "expedient."

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"You are not going to get any enabling act through the General Assembly until it becomes more definite," said a member of the House of Delegates. "The league must give us something more concrete. The people would not submit to State option, which destroys the real principle of local option. If we are to have State option it must embody the groundwork of local option, for we are not going to pass a law which would enable one section of Virginia to say what is right and just for all sections. We must have something specific."

A recent poll of the General Assembly, taken by The Times-Dispatch, indicated that a majority in both branches favored local option.

BANK CLERKS MUST NOT HELP

National Examiners Ordered to Make Investigations Without Their Absistance

National Examiners Ordered to Make Investigations Without Their Assistance Washington, D. C., January 21.—
Comptroller of the Currency Murray is determined to stop the practice of some national bank examiners of asking the assistance of clorks employed by banks that are under examination. Therefore, he has issued an order advising all examiners that under no circumstances should such clerks be employed to assist in counting cash, listing and verifying loans and discounts, verifying certificates of deposit, or cashlers' checks, or taking trial balances of the individual ledger. The listing of ovedrafts and data of any kind, furnished by officers or employes of banks under examination, must always be checked by the examiner or his assistant, with the original records of the bank from which such data is taken.

STATE OPTION Two Score People Per- Mr. Deal Proposes Com- Taft Is Displeased With hingtion Convention. ish in Water or Flames.

> DEATH INFLICTED IN HORRIBLE FORM

Down Steep Embankment and Hurls Itself Into Ice-Covered River-Full Extent of Disaster Not

ing Right of Self-Government Away From All Others.

North Bay, Ont., January 21.—Death all the laws of a least a score, and a seamly will take when the Anti-Saloon Lague presents its bill calling was not made clear, even with the variety of opinions expressed yeater-day by members of both houses. In might converted the season, regardless of sections from which they converted to order an election on petition of order an election on petition of order an election on petition of the State might distate to the entire State. For instance, if the Southwest would do an the reaches and with the state. For instance, if the Southwest would do minate. It might state would do an the requisite one second-class, one fourth, the election would have to be brodered, the effect being that the common wealth would be thrown into strict and would not make up the requisition on second-class one for the state might cound that the southwest would do minate. It might should without end would on a thrown here are all unknown here at a section of the State might distate to the entire State. For instance, if the Southwest would do an the requisition of construction of the State might distate to the entire State with the state might decrease the state of the construction of the State might decrease the state of th

hill in a terrific plunge. About twen-ty-five passengers were in this car, and it is practically certain that none

LIVES BLOTTED OUT NEW PRIMARY BILL SENATE ADVISED IN RAILWAY WRECK OFFERED IN HOUSE

bination Convention-Primary Plan.

WILL FORCE VOTE ON AID TO ROADS

Canadian Pacific Train Leaps Resolution Introduced to Test Sentiment-Circuit and Corporation Judges Elected. Proposes to Elect Corporation Commissioners

was probably due to a broken rail.

The engine, baggage, express, mail and one second-class car remained on the rails, while one second-class, one first-class, a dining car and a sleeper went down the embankment, the first-class car and diner went into the river. The sleeper and second-class car stopped on the embankment, the second-class car stopped on the embankment, the second-class car stopped on the embankment, the second-class car catching fire.

Second Berl W. Deal's measure would have the election officers in the county or city to do something. "Every man on Capitol Hill is looking for another term, and he has got to do something, and all the Republicans, regardless of the fight against Cannon or the Rules Committee, are to said one of the President's callers to all parties that have cast not less than 25.000 votes at the next preceding regular class car catching fire.

went down the embankment, the first-class car and diner went into the river. The sleeper and second-class car stopped on the embankment, the second-class car catching fire.

The wreck occurred about thirty-seven miles west of Sudbury, where the tracks cut into the side of a steep thill, which is skirted by the river. The forward part of the train passed over the brack, whatover it was, safe-in ly. The day coach, which was near ly. The day coach ly. The day coach, which was near ly. The day coach ly.

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Policy of "Marking Time.'

WANTS MEASURES MADE INTO LAWS

Leaders Called "Onto Carpet" at White House and Told That They Must Meet Platform Promises-Outlook Now Brighter for Important

So it happened when Senators Penrose. Crane and Carter left the White House, the latter, acting as spokesman for the trio, declared:
"The postal savings bank proposition will become 2 law at this session of Congress."

The lostal banks, however, will not be the first of the Tatt measures considered. The President ranks his recommendations

Marshal Treat's Successor



ports Favorably on Holt Bill to Increase Revenue.

Senate Finance Committee Re- Department of Justice Believes It

AMEND ON UPWARD SCALE LEGAL

Estimated Increase Will Reach Proceedings Will Be Begun Be-

\$100,000-How New Tax Will Affect Dealers.

One hundred thousand dollars is the amount of additional revenue to be derived by the Commonwealth from licenses on liquor establishments, wholesale and retail, if the favorable report of the Senate Committee on Finance on the Holt bill, decided upon yesterday in executive session, is adopted by the Legislature. For nearly four hours the Finance Committee was wrestling with the problem behind closed doors in the Corporation Commission room at the Capitol, and it was said last night by those in a post-tion to know that Senator Holt's bill,

providing an increase in the amount of liquor licenses, had not only been favorably passed upon, but had been amended on the upward scale.

From reliable sources last night the following facts as to increased licenses were learned: The ordinary retailer's

corps of physicians from Granada to Acoyapa in preparation for the expected battle.

The line are held until the missing cars are found.

MOB KILLS NEGRO MURDERER

The this of Sherin and Citizen Avenged by Pesse and Friends.

New Oriens, La., January 21.—A special from Jackson, Miss., says that Sheriff Hubbard, of Simpson county, Miss., and a citizen has been of Magoe were shot and killed by a negro whom they were attempting to arrest men a posse wist formed, and the regretation of Nicaragua, are men a posse wist formed, and the regretation of Nicaragua, are men a posse wist formed, and the negro was run down and killed, it is said, while resisting freat.

Responsible for High

ACTION PROPOSED

fore Grand Jury in Chicago.

Washington, D. C., January 21 .- The "beef trust," so called, is to be prosecuted by the national government. believes its existence is a leading fac-The contemplated action of the de-

proceedings will begin before the grand eriminal action,

The aim of the department has been The aim of the department has been to ascertain the relations between the several firms, individually, and the National Packing Company, for the purpose of determining whether they have operated to control the prices of fresh meats, which, according to almost universal complaint, have been going thigher and higher. From the fact that proceedings are to be instituted the

Inference is that the officials feel satisfied they have a good cause.

One possible method of action may be that of a suit to dissolve the company, under the Sherman anti-trust law, as an organization operating in restraint of interstate trade. Proceedings against individuals also may result.

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uary 21.—Government troops are used to discover the larried to Greytown to reinforce the larried to discover the necessities at present prices. The necessities at present prices when the meagre earnings. The same conditions of physicians from Granada to accorate in preparation for the exact of the present intention is to begin it immediately and keep it up at least immediately and keep it up at least

MEAT BOYCOTT IS SPREADING OVER COUNTRY

More Than Million People Fighting Against Inflated Prices.

PUBLIC PROTEST GROWING DAILY

In Many Cities Staple Articles of Food Have Been Cut From Bill of Fare Till Cost Comes Down to Reasonable Figure-Labor Leads in Movement.

Food Boycott in Many States.

Ohlo—in Cleveland 50,000 consumers do without meat. At Stenbenville 300 families are on anti-meat airike. Cincinnati club women give up butter. Strike movement under way at Dayton and Columbus.

Missouri—Forty-two St. Louis doctors advise workmen that they can enter meat boycott without danger to health. Kausas City lubor unloss institute meat sirike.

Hilmois—Thousands of Chicago workmen will join a movement to eat no meat until March 1.

Pennsylvania — Pitisburg milli workers call on butchers to cut prices immediately on penalty of consumers becoming vegetarians.

Wisconsin—Mass-meeting of clitzens is called to institute meat boycott and circulate petition.

Kansas—Meat boycotts are announced as flourishing in Atchison. Leavenworth, St. Joseph and Topeka. -In Cleveland 50,000 consum-

Leavenworth, St. Joseph and Topeka.

Nebraska — The Omaha Central
Labor Union, \$,000 strong, starts a
ment hoycott until prices drop.

Iowa-Antiment enting clubs are
being formed in Des Moines.

Michigan—Detroit consumers
aroused because prices across the
river in Canada are 25 per cent.
cheaper, They will hoycott meat,
Maryland—the Baltimere a meat
boycott is in full swing.

Delsware—In Wilmington 1,000
householders have signed a thirtyday meat boycott, encouraged by
the fact that a similar more recently lowered the cost of turkey
from 45 to 10 cents a pound.

Indiana — Two hundred Jevish
families have gone on a strike

against the high prices charged by against the high prices charged by kosher butchers.

Connecticut—The rubber workers of the Naugaiuck valley will eat no more butter or eggs until prices be-come normal.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
New York, January 21.—Special dispatches from various cities show an increase in the cost of living and that the meat boycott has spread with remarkable spontaneity throughout the country.

gins there March 1, backed by the Federation of Labor.
Whether New York joins the boycott remains to be seen. The lack of interest thus far shown here is attributed to a lack of agitation. Organized labor here appears indifferent, but it is admitted that only a spark is necessary to set off a "meat strike" that would make all others seem trivial.

inancial burdens which are harassing the State. Naturally, the Finance Commttee knows the situation thoroughly, and felt the imperative necessity of making large increases in the revenue of the Commonwealth when and wherever possible.

TRAIN IS HELD UP

Four Bandits Do Work in Approved Western Style.

St. Louis, Mo., January 21.—A Missouri Possible, was held up by four masked men hetween Glencee and Eureka to-night. The four men mounted the cab, find after binding the engineer and freman, detached the mail and express cars. The engine creav then rank le locomotive into St. Louis and gave the nlarm. The passenger coaches were stranded near the scene of the hold-up, and it is not known what has become of the either ears.

The express is said to-contain ascent thousand dollars in currency. A special train was made up in St. Louis not garden as the contraint of interstate trade. Proceeding sagantst individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding against individuals also may restraint of interstate trade. Proceeding interstate trade. Proceeding trade to determinate also may resulting in the determination to the courts against operation to the practices of one of the Western railroads in inquiry into the practice of the work which, it had been charged, amounted that the applicants. Hundreds while they could readily be regarded that while they could readily be regarded to the proceeding trade to restrain from the se